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For: DEVICE STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR REDUCING SILICIDE ENCROACHMENT

Mail Stop RCE (title)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 23, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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